

# Tarrant County Drug Impact Index 2018



**Twenty-First Edition** 

# **Mission Statement**

Challenge of Tarrant County is dedicated to confronting substance abuse in Tarrant County by identifying needs, educating the community, mobilizing resources, promoting collaboration and advocating for sound public policy.

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### Introduction

The Twenty-First Edition of the Tarrant County Drug Impact Index profiles, for the citizens of Tarrant County, the pervasiveness of the community's substance abuse problem today. Substance abuse encompasses the misuse of alcohol, as well as legal and illegal drugs. This Index relies on archival data through established surveys or standard national, state and local reporting systems.

Selection of particular indicators was driven by a broad-based community steering committee and a series of focus groups to ensure that the data collected would be relevant to the needs of the community. Though no single measure can provide an adequate picture of the impact of substance abuse on a community, a number of indicators can reveal significant trends. Accurate, timely information is critically important when crafting effective local responses to the damaging impact substance abuse has on individuals, families, and communities.

Thus, community relevance is the main criterion used to select indicators for the Index. Other criteria were determined by whether the indicator can be measured from year to year, whether the indicator measures what it intends, and whether it is practical to collect. Challenge of Tarrant County cannot warrant the reliability/validity of the indicators, though every effort has been made to accurately report and depict the data as received from the primary sources cited throughout this publication. This Drug Impact Index was not designed as a precise quantitative measurement or an evaluation device, but is intended to reflect important trends, such as major increases or decreases in illegal drug use or alcohol abuse. Additional indicators may be added to future versions of the Index.

This Twenty-First Edition of the Tarrant County Drug Impact Index grew from prior Challenge of Tarrant County projects, which focused on the City of Arlington. Subsequent editions of this work or studies of other specific areas or populations are within the scope of services offered by Challenge of Tarrant County. For further information or additional copies of this publication, please contact Challenge of Tarrant County at (817) 336-6617 or visit our website at www.challengetc.org.

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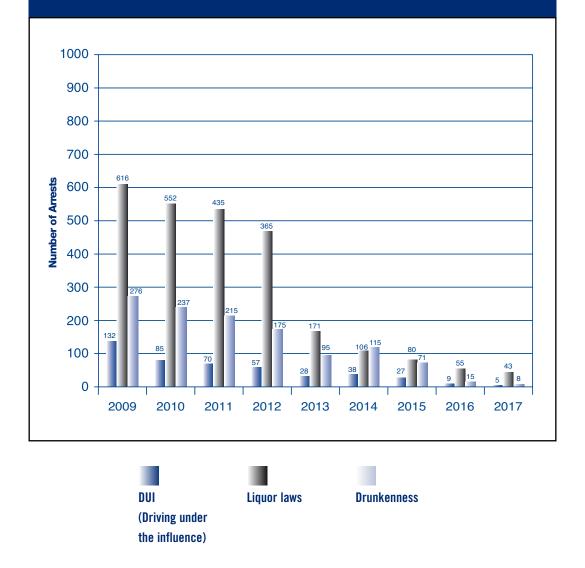
- My Health My Resources of Tarrant County
- Public Policy Research Institute, Texas A&M University
- Tarrant County Juvenile Services
- Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission
- Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts
- Texas Department of Public Safety
- Texas Health and Human Services
- U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Fort Worth Resident Office

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Youth Alcohol Related Arrests in Tarrant County

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NOTE: The numbers reported here reflect arrests of individuals 17 years of age and under.

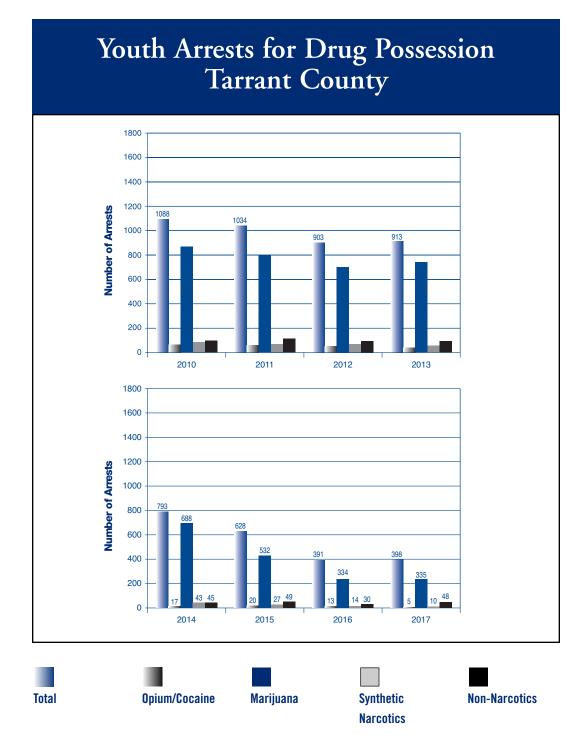
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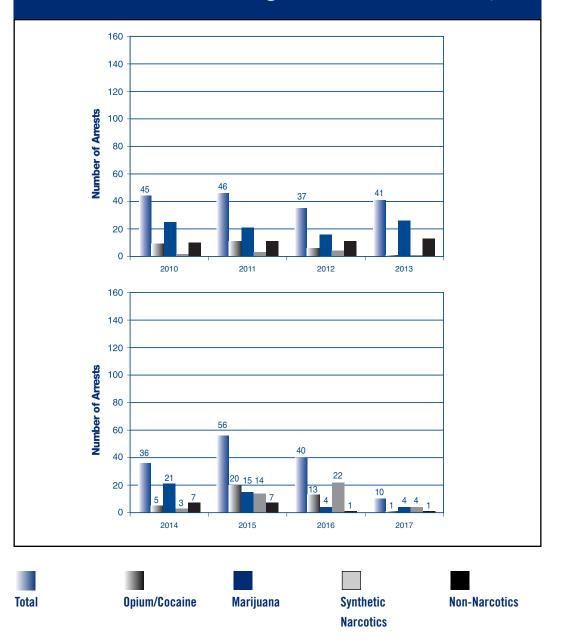
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## Youth Arrests for Drug Sales and Manufacturing in Tarrant County

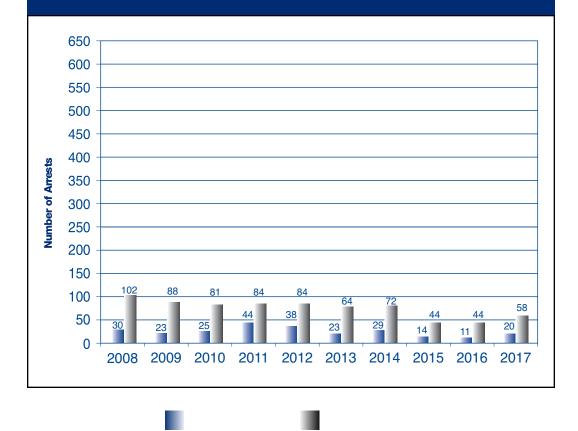


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SOURCE: Texas Department of Public Safety



### Juveniles on Probation for Drug Arrests



**NOTE:** The majority of youthful offenders are handled with a broad range of other sanctions or supervisory outcomes, e.g., citations, referrals, supervisory caution, deferred prosecution, or adjudication to probation. Juveniles are individuals 10 years of age or older and under 17 years of age.

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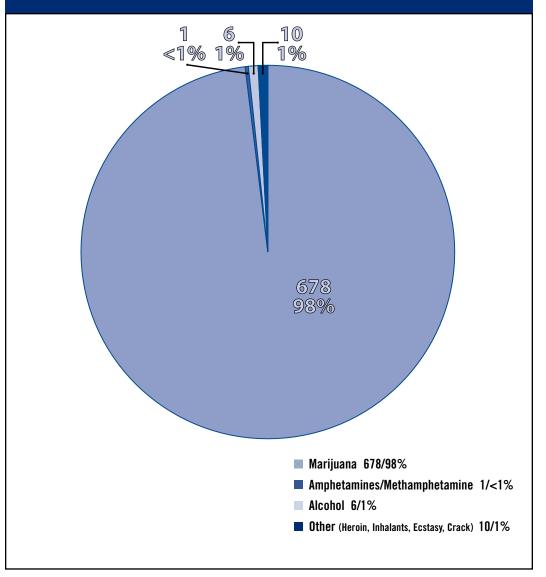
SOURCE: Tarrant County Juvenile Services

Felony

**Misdemeanor** 



### Primary Drug at Time of Adolescent Admission to DSHS Funded Facilities 2017

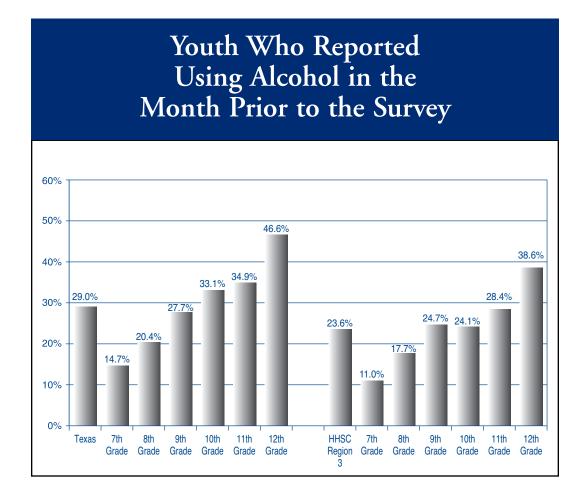


**NOTE:** HHSC funded facilities primarily serve individuals without behavioral health insurance coverage. These numbers include only those individuals who received state funded treatment services.

SOURCE: Texas Health and Human Services Commision



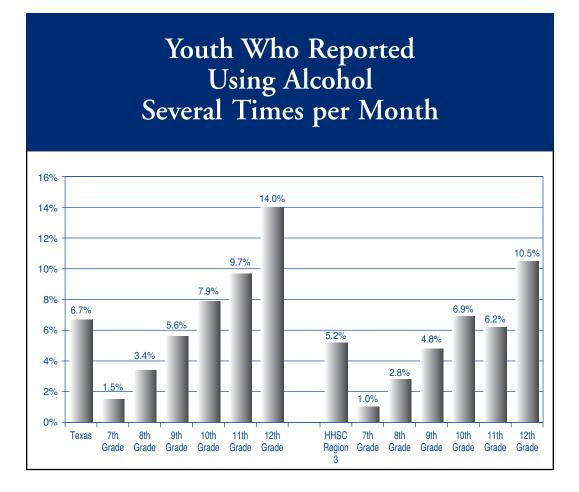




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SOURCE: Public Policy Research Institute, Texas A&M University



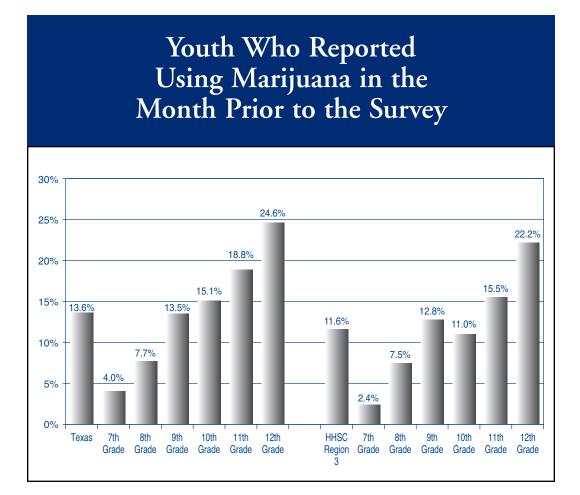


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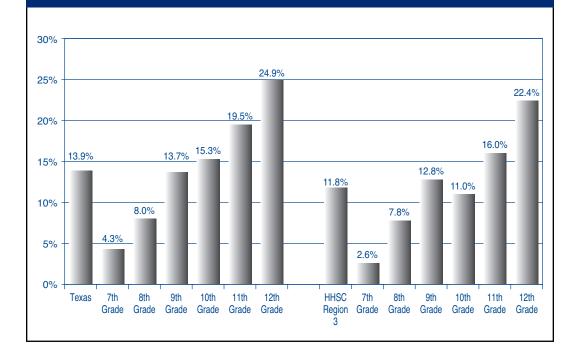


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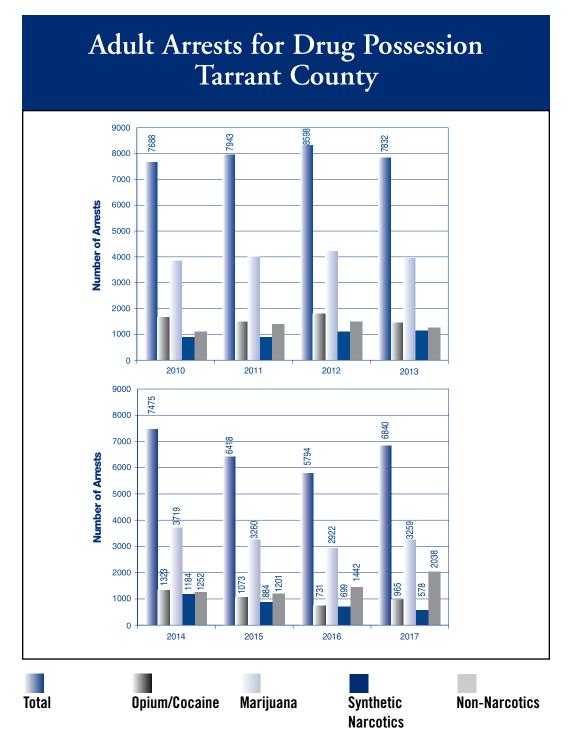


## Youth Who Reported Using any Illicit Drugs in the Month Prior to the Survey



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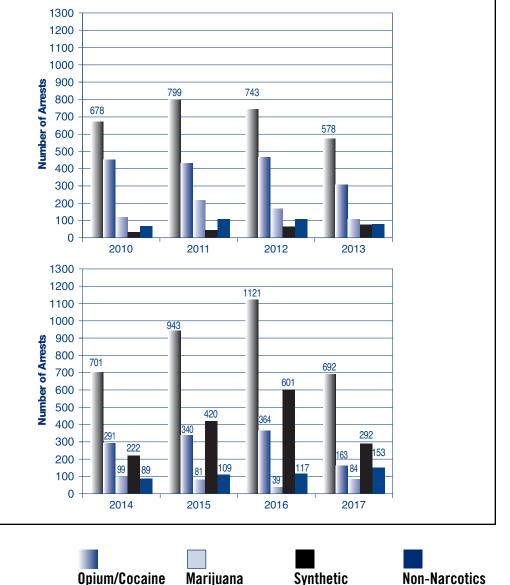
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SOURCE: Texas Department of Public Safety





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Marijuana

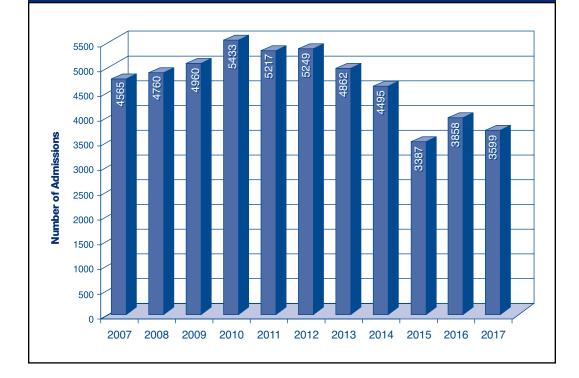
**Synthetic** 

**Narcotics** 

Non-Narcotics

SOURCE: Texas Department of Public Safety

### Adult Admissions to Tarrant County DSHS Funded Treatment Programs

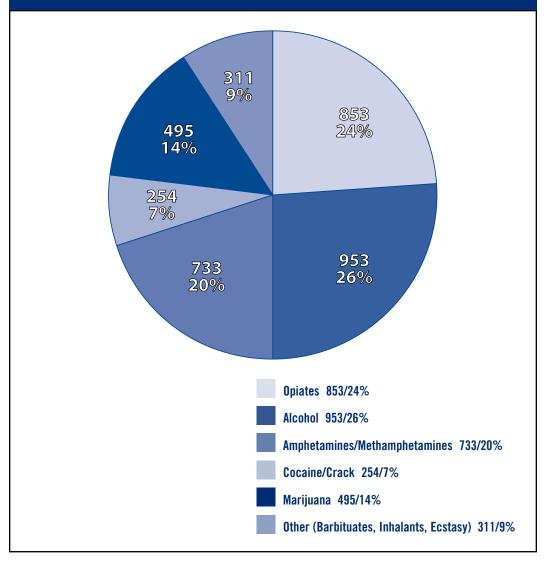


**NOTE:** The Texas Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is a state agency that administers both federal and state funds. These figures represent only the adult clients for whom the agencies seek reimbursement from HHS. Individuals who receive treatment at HHS funded facilities often do not have private insurance and are unable to pay for their treatment.

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**SOURCE:** Texas Department of Health and Human Services

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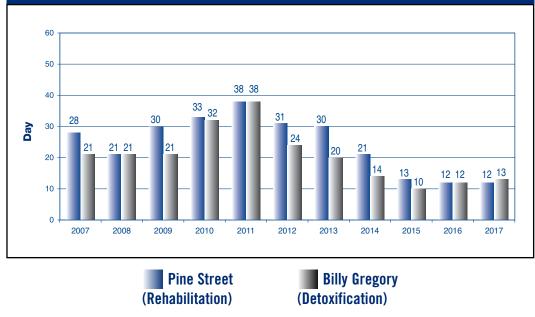


#### Number of Detox/Rehab Clients Served



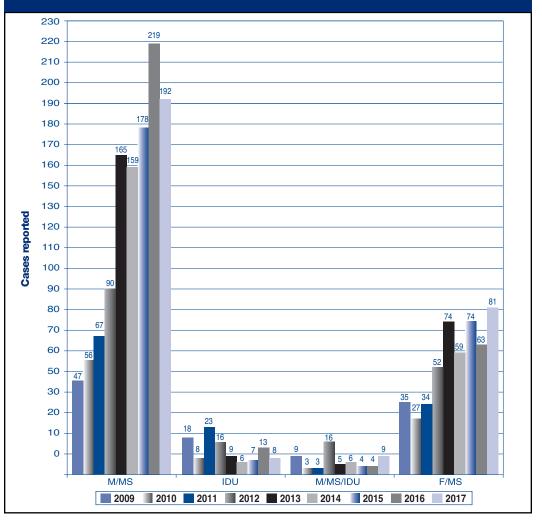
Pine Street (Rehabilitation) Billy Gregory (Detoxification)

#### Average Days to Wait for Admission to Detox/Rehab Centers



SOURCE: Mental Health and Mental Retardation of Tarrant County, Addiction Services

### Assumed Mode of Transmission of Newly Identified HIV Cases from Individuals Who Reside in Tarrant County



Assumed Mode of TransmissionCases Reported in 2017Men who have sex with men (M/MS)192Injection Drug Users (IDU)8M/MS and who inject drugs (M/MS/IDU)9Heterosexual Contact (F/MS)81Transfusion0Not Classified (NIR)0

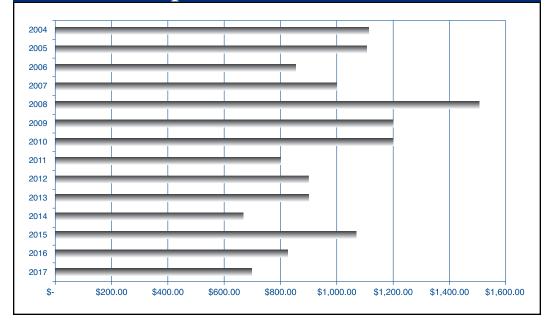
**NOTE:** Assumed modes of transmission are determined through provider and client interview, using a hierarchical system developed by the Center for Disease Control. To be classified in a category, risk must meet strict criteria.

**SOURCE:** Texas Department of State Health Sevices

# Average Price of a Gram of Heroin State of Texas



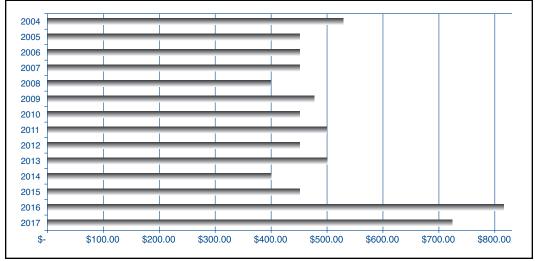
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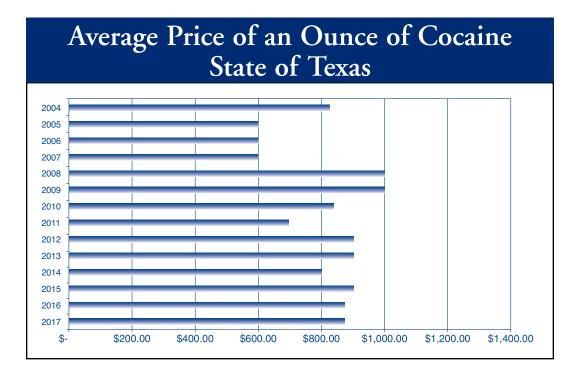


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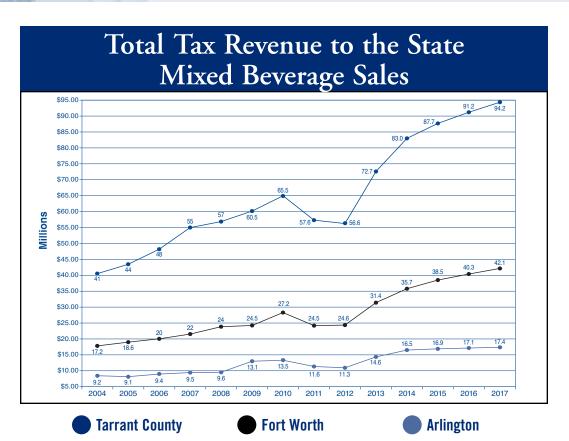
SOURCE: U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Fort Worth Resident Office

## Average Price of a Pound of Marijuana State of Texas

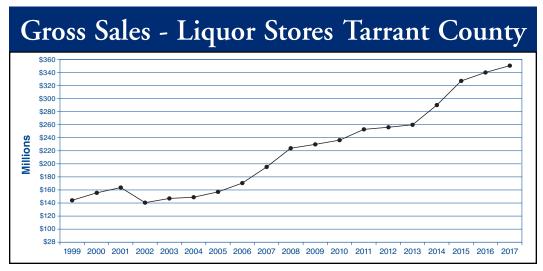




SOURCE: U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, Fort Worth Resident Office



**NOTE:** This amount is the total amount remitted to the state by businesses in Tarrant County, Fort Worth, and Arlington. This money is then distributed back to the city and county at the rate of 10.7143% each. The net amount of money remaining is transferred to the State's General Revenue Fund.



**NOTE:** Liquor store sales taxes are one measure of alcohol sales in the county and have increased steadily since 1992, before dropping by 29.5% from 1996 to 1998. This change may imply reduced demand or may only indicate the increased availability of alcohol in the form of wine and beer from other sources (e.g., restaurants, grocery stores, convenience stores, drug stores, etc.).

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SOURCE: State Comptroller of Public Accounts

#### Juvenile/Adolescent Resources:

For drug information visit http://www.drugfreeamerica.org For tobacco use prevention visit http://www.tobaccofreekids.org For suggestions on keeping kids drug free visit http://www.theantidrug.com Texas Department of State Health Services visit http://www.dshs.state.tx.us For Adolescents visit http://www.thecoolspot.gov

#### **Prevention Programs**

Betty Ford Center Five Star Kids Program (972) 751-0363 Boys & Girls Clubs of Arlington (817) 226-2422 or Fort Worth (817) 834-4711 Communities in Schools (817) 446-5454 Girls, Inc. of Tarrant County (817) 468-0306 JPS Mom & Baby Special Services (817) 920-7322 Lena Pope (817) 255-2652 Recovery Resource Council (817) 332-6329 Santa Fe Youth Services (817) 492-4673 Challenge of Tarrant County (817) 336-6617 Volunteers of America (817) 529-7300

#### **Treatment Programs**

Clearfork Academy (817) 714-1311 Excel Center (817) 335-6429 Lena Pope (817) 255-2652 MHMRTC Tarrant Youth Recovery Campus (817) 569-4270 Millwood Hospital (817) 261-3121 Nexus Recovery (214) 321-0156 North Texas Addiction Counseling and Education (817) 426-2868 Phoenix Associates Counseling (817) 338-0311 Sundance (817) 583-0838

#### **Community Coalitions**

Challenge Prevention Providers Coalition (817) 336-6617 Challenge Treatment Providers Coalition (817) 336-6617 Challenge/UTA/SMART Coalition (817) 336-6617 Challenge/TCU/The Bottom Line Coalition (817) 336-6617 Challenge/Weatherford College/Follow Our Lead Coalition (817) 336-6617 Challenge/Keller/Stay on Track Coalition (817) 336-6617

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#### Adult/Community Resources:

Recovery Resource Council operates a 24-hour information and referral telephone hotline for substance abusers and their families. Call (817) 332-6329.

For information on treatment and prevention, visit the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information at http://www.health.org.

#### **Treatment Programs**

ABODE (817) 246-8677 Casa Palmera (858) 481-4411 Cenikor Foundation (817) 921-2771 Center for Therapeutic Change (817) 446-9770 Enterhealth (855) 393-6856 Harris Methodist Springwood (817) 355-7700 Hemphill Treatment Facility (817) 334-0111 Huguley Hospital (817) 568-3336 JPS Mom and Baby Drug Free Program (817) 920-7322 La Hacienda (800) 749-6160 Lena Pope (817) 255-2500 Med Mark Treatment Center (817) 207-8700 My Health My Resources of Tarrant County (817) 569-4600 Mesa Springs Hospital (817) 292-4600 Nexus Recovery (214) 321-0156 North Texas Addiction Counseling and Education (817) 332-7165 • (817) 795-8278 Phoenix Associates (817) 795-3030 Ranch at Dove Tree (817) 310-0379 Recovery Resource Council (817) 332-6329 Salvation Army - First Choice Program (817) 926-6662 Sante (940) 464-7222 Starlight Recovery Center (817) 471-6991 Summer Sky (888) 857-8857 Sundance Behavioral Health (817) 583-8038 The Right Step (817) 857-9100 Valley Hope Grapevine (817) 424-1305 Volunteers of America (817) 529-7300 • (817) 534-3432

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#### Challenge of Tarrant County Programs

Planning and Advocacy: educates advocates and decision makers and the community regarding substance abuse prevention, intervention, and treatment. Projects encourage networking among agencies, develop media strategies, collect and disseminate information, and advocates for sound public policy.

Challenge Coalitions raise awareness and reduce substance abuse in Tarrant County by strengthening collaboration among community partners who represent schools, youth service agencies, law enforcement, health and human services, elected officials and concerned citizens.

Supportive Education for Children of Addicted Parents designed by the nation's top researchers assists children of all ages whose parents suffer from addiction. Through participation, children learn to cope with their parent's disease and heal from the devastation of living with addiction

Family Drug Court (FDC) an integrated, court-based collaboration that protects children from abuse and neglect precipitated by substance abuse through timely decisions, coordinated services, treatment, and safe and permanent placements. FDC empowers the community to build collaborations that provide much needed services to parents struggling with substance abuse and are involved with the Department of Family and Protective Services.

Challenge Training Institute (CTI) provides a wide variety of training programs designed to help professionals, parents, students, elected officials and the community increase their knowledge around substance abuse issues. Trainings are delivered in the community or workplace and continuing education units (CEUs) are available. CTI can customize training to meet specific organizational needs.

Closing the Addiction Treatment Gap (CATG) is designed to create awareness of—and increase resources to close—an alarming gap in the availability of drug and alcohol addiction treatment for Americans who need it. Program strategies include broadening insurance coverage, increasing funding, and achieving greater efficiency and quality.

Substance Abuse Information Index (SAID) utilizes technology to collect and disseminate state and local data to demonstrate the nature and extent of substance abuse in Tarrant County. The project maintains an internet site at www.challengetc.org and produces the Drug Impact Index, a valuable research tool used by hundreds of individuals and organizations annually.



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